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U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Ethics

MEMBER / OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual Financial Disclosure Statement. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, B-106 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed. Please do not file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.**

1. Name of Traveler: Congresswoman Renee Ellmers
2. a. Name of accompanying relative: Dr. Brent Ellmers or None ☐  
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☒ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: Nov 6, 2014 Return: Nov. 11, 2014  
b. Dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_ or None ☒
4. Departure city: Raleigh, NC Destination: Rome, Italy Return city: Raleigh, NC
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): The Franklin Center and The Ripon Society
6. Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary):  
See attached agenda
7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (*signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*):  
a. ☒ a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;  
b. ☒ the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;  
c. ☒ page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the Member or officer; *and*  
d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda. (*Signify that statement is true by checking box*): ☒  
b. If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: 11/21/2014

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. *A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return.* You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): The Ripon Society and the Franklin Center for Global Policy Exchange

2. Travel Destination(s): Rome, Italy

3. Date of Departure: Nov 6, 2014 Date of Return: Nov. 11, 2014

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Rep. Renee Ellmers and Dr. Ellmers

(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)

5. Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$5,093.50 air & ground	\$996.04	\$730.88	The Ellmers paid for Vatican and Forum v
Accompanying Relative	\$4,989.34 air & ground		\$730.88	

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box): ☒

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: James K. Conzelman

Name: James K. Conzelman

Title: President

Organization: The Ripon Society and the Franklin Center for Global Policy Exchange

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box): ☒

Address: 1150 15th Street, NW Suite 550, Washington, DC 20005

Telephone number: 202-216-1008

Email Address: jconzelman@riponsociety.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Congresswoman Renee Ellmers
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): The Franklin Center for Global Policy Exchange and The Ripon Society
3. Travel destination(s): Rome, Italy
4. a. Date of departure November 6, 2014 Date of return: November 11, 2014  
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
If yes, dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? ☒ Yes ☐ No  
b. If yes:  
(1) Name of accompanying relative: Brent Ellmers  
(2) Relationship to traveler: ☒ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: ☒ Yes ☐ No  
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.  
Congresswoman Ellmers will be discussing technology and telecom issues relevant to her work on Energy & Commerce, as well as hearing about problems of high skilled immigrants, also relevant to her EAC work.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? ☐ Yes ☒ No
10. **FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:**  
**TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:**

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: 11/11/14

Renee Ellmers  
Signature of Employing Member

U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Ethics

**PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM**

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site ([ethics.house.gov](http://ethics.house.gov)) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.**

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): \_\_\_\_\_  
The Ripon Society and the Franklin Center For Global Policy Exchange
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒
3. Check only one: I represent that:
  - a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip ☒ or
  - b. the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds ☐ or
  - c. the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities. ☐If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):  
See Attachment A
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. Date of departure: Thurs. Nov 6, 2014 Date of return: Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2014
7.
  - a. City of departure: Washington, DC or Congressional District
  - b. Destination(s): Rome, Italy
  - c. City of return: Washington, DC or Congressional District
8. I represent that (check one of the following):
  - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: ☐ or
  - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: ☒ or
  - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations. ☐
9. Check one of the following:
  - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above: ☒
  - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging: ☐
  - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night: ☐ or
  - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights: ☐If "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (*i.e.*, an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (*indicate agenda is attached by checking box*): ☒
11. Check one:
- I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (*signify that the statement is true by checking box*): ☒ or
  - N/A – trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education. ☐
12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
- Both the Ripon Society and the Franklin Center For Global Policy Exchange will handle all  
arrangements for the conference. Both organizations are interested in promoting trade and  
enhancing international relations between the U.S. and countries such as Italy.
13. Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.
- Mode of travel: Air ☒ Rail ☐ Bus ☒ Car ☐ Other ☐ (Specify: see notes below (c))
  - Class of travel: Coach ☐ Business ☒ First ☐ Charter ☐ Other ☐ (Specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
  - If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:  
Air travel will be non-refundable tickets in business class on commercial carriers. Buses will be  
used in Rome, Italy.
14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (*signify that the statement is true by checking box*): ☒
15. I represent that either (*check one of the following*):
- The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: ☐ or
  - The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation: ☒  
 If "b" is checked:
    - Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \_\_\_\_\_  
\$198.97 per day for conference meals.\*as of April 10 with the exchange rate of 1.39
    - Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Italy will have the Presidency of the EU this year (July-Dec), and as such will be a leader in the ongoing trade negotiations  
on TTIP, the U.S. is Italy's third largest export market, 2013 marks 50 years of space cooperation,  
the U.S. will be present at Expo Milan 2015, Italy is a partner with the U.S. in global security.
16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
- Hotel name: St. Regis City: Rome Cost per night: \$277.35\*  
 Reason(s) for selecting: Location, price, facilities - \*could fluctuate with the exchange rate
- Hotel name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost per night: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reason(s) for selecting: \_\_\_\_\_
- Hotel name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost per night: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reason(s) for selecting: \_\_\_\_\_

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total <i>Transportation</i> Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Lodging</i> Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Meal</i> Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	Air: \$7,000-10,000	\$1,109.42	\$795.88
For each accompanying relative	Air: \$7000-10,000	0	\$795.88

	<i>Other</i> Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	ground: \$299.88	security pin \$2.00, \$5.47-headphones
For each accompanying relative	ground: \$139.88	security pin \$2.00, \$5.47-headphones

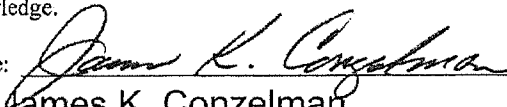
**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.**

19. Check one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below. ☒ *or*  
b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education. ☐

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip. ☒

21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name: James K. Conzelman

Title: President

Organization: The Ripon Society and the Franklin Center For Global Policy Exchange

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If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

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U.S. House of Representatives  
1015 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515  
(202) 225-7103 (phone)  
(202) 225-7392 (general fax)



TRANSATLANTIC CAPITAL TO CAPITAL EXCHANGE  
*Rome, Italy November 7-11, 2014*

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ATTACHMENT A

**Congressional Invitees**

The Honorable Dave Camp (R-MI)  
The Honorable Mike Capuano (D-MA)  
The Honorable Mike Doyle (D-PA)  
The Honorable Renee Ellmers (R-NC)  
The Honorable Luis Gutiérrez (D-IL)  
The Honorable John Larson (D-CT)  
The Honorable Frank Lucas (R-OK)  
The Honorable Pat Meehan (R-PA)  
The Honorable Bill Pascrell (D-NJ)  
The Honorable Erik Paulsen (R-MN)  
The Honorable Jim Renacci (R-OH)  
The Honorable Steve Scalise (R-LA)  
The Honorable Bill Shuster (R-PA)  
The Honorable Pat Tiberi (R-OH)  
The Honorable Fred Upton (R-MI)  
The Honorable Greg Walden (R-OR)

**Congressional Staff Invitees**

Ms. Kelli Briggs (Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of Congressman Pat Tiberi)  
Stacey Glasscock (Chief of Staff, Office of Congressman Frank Lucas)

***The TransAtlantic Capital to Capital Exchange*** will focus on six major areas: International Trade and the TransAtlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, health care and pharmaceuticals; immigration with regards to highly-skilled workers; global energy exploration; tax reform; telecommunications, and the agenda for the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Below is the list of the panel discussions currently scheduled, along with the Members of Congress on each panel who may be asked to speak. We intend on taking 17 Members of Congress on the *TransAtlantic Capital to Capital Exchange*.

**Panel 1 – Feeding the Planet**

Ambassador David Lane, U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Agencies  
Rep. Frank Lucas (Chair, Agriculture)

**Panel 2 – Keynotes: Combatting Human Trafficking**

Ambassador Kenneth Hackett, U.S. Ambassador to the Holy See  
Rep. Erik Paulsen (authored legislation on this topic)

**Panel 3 – Increasing U.S. Competitiveness: Tax and Accounting Practices Reform**

Keynotes: Rep. Pat Tiberi (Chair, W&M Select Revenue Subcommittee)

Rep. Dave Camp (Chair, W&M)

Rep. John Larson (W&M Select Revenue Subcommittee)

Rep. Jim Renacci (W&M)

Moderator: Ms. Kelli Briggs, Deputy COS to Rep. Pat Tiberi

**Panel 4 – Agenda for the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress**

Rep. Steve Scalise (Majority Whip)

Rep. Greg Walden (NRCC Chair)

Rep. John Larson (former Democratic Caucus Chair)

Rep. Bill Shuster (Chair, Transportation and Infrastructure)

Rep. Mike Capuano

Rep. Pat Tiberi

Moderator: Rep. Dave Camp

**Panel 5 – The Future of the U.S. Health Care System and Global Pharmaceutical and Medical Innovation**

Keynote: Rep. Fred Upton (Chair, Energy and Commerce)

Rep. Bill Pascrell (W&M, Health Subcommittee)

Rep. Pat Meehan (Oversight and Government Reform Health Care Subcommittee)

Moderator: Ms. Stacey Glasscock, COS to Rep. Frank Lucas

**Panel 6 – Immigration: Challenges and Opportunities**

Rep. Luis Gutiérrez (Judiciary, Immigration Subcommittee)

Rep. Renee Ellmers

**Panel 7 – Italy, the EU, and the TransAtlantic Trade and Investment Partnership**

Rep. Frank Lucas (Chairman Agriculture Committee, Committee on Financial Services)

Rep. John Larson (W&M Trade Subcommittee)

Rep. Erik Paulsen (Co-Chair, TTIP Caucus, W&M)

Rep. Jim Renacci (W&M)

Rep. Bill Pascrell (W&M)

Moderator: Ms. Stacey Glasscock, COS to Rep. Frank Lucas

**Panel 8 – Encouraging Technological Growth**

Keynote: Rep. Greg Walden (Chair, E&C Communications and Technology Subcommittee)

Rep. Mike Doyle (E&C Communications and Technology Subcommittee)

Rep. Renee Ellmers (E&C Communications and Technology Subcommittee)

**Panel 9 – Balancing Innovation and Privacy with Homeland Security and Cybersecurity**

Rep. Pat Meehan (Chair, Homeland Security Cybersecurity Subcommittee)

Rep. Luis Gutiérrez (Select Intelligence and Judiciary)

Moderator: Ms. Kelli Briggs, Deputy COS to Rep. Pat Tiberi

**Panel 10 – Global Energy Trade, Development, and Market Expansion**

Keynote: Rep. Steve Scalise (E&C, Energy and Power Subcommittee)

Rep. Fred Upton (Chair, E&C)

Rep. Bill Shuster (Chair, Transportation and Infrastructure)

Rep. Mike Doyle (E&C Energy and Power Subcommittee)

Rep. Mike Capuano (T&I, Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials Subcommittee)

Moderator: Ms. Stacey Glasscock, COS to Rep. Frank Lucas



K. Michael Conaway, Texas  
*Chairman*  
Linda T. Sánchez, California  
*Ranking Member*

Charles W. Dent, Pennsylvania  
Patrick Meehan, Pennsylvania  
Trey Gowdy, South Carolina  
Susan W. Brooks, Indiana

Pedro R. Pierluisi, Puerto Rico  
Michael E. Capuano, Massachusetts  
Yvette D. Clarke, New York  
Ted Deutch, Florida



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## U.S. House of Representatives

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October 30, 2014

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The Honorable Renee Ellmers  
U.S. House of Representatives  
426 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your and your spouse's proposed trip to Italy scheduled for November 6 to 11, 2014, sponsored by the Ripon Society and the Franklin Center for Global Policy Exchange.

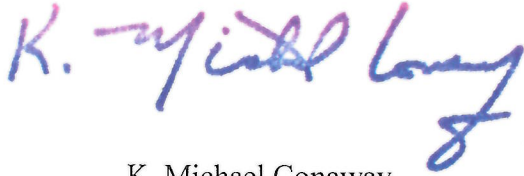
You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$375] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

The Honorable Renee Ellmers  
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If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



K. Michael Conaway  
Chairman



Linda T. Sánchez  
Ranking Member

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TRANSATLANTIC CAPITAL TO CAPITAL EXCHANGE  
ROME, ITALY NOVEMBER 7-11, 2014

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2014

Evening

Flights depart for Rome

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2014

*Casual Attire*

Day

Flights arrive in Rome

9:00 am-3:00 pm

Registration and Check-in at St. Regis Rome Hotel

LUNCH ON OWN

*Business Attire*

4:00 pm

Conference Opening – Sala Ritz, St. Regis Rome  
Ambassador Connie Morella, Representative Pat Tiberi,  
and Jim Conzelman

4:15 pm

In Country Briefing on Italy – Ambassador John Phillips,  
U.S. Ambassador to the Italian Republic and the Republic of  
San Marino, and U.S. Embassy staff

-Ms. Kathleen Doherty – Deputy Chief of Mission

-Mr. Paul Berg – Minister Counselor for Political Affairs

-Ms. Katherine Hadda – Minister Counselor for Economic  
Affairs

-Ms. Elizabeth McKay – Minister Counselor for Public Affairs

-Mr. Carmine D'Aloisio – Minister Counselor for Commercial  
Affairs

-Mr. Anthony Parisi – Defense Attaché

-Ms. Christine Sloop – Foreign Agriculture Service Counselor

-Mr. Don Mulligan – American Citizen Services Chief

6:00 pm

Depart for opening reception at Villa Taverna, the U.S.  
Ambassador's residence, via bus

6:30 pm-8:00 pm

Opening reception at Villa Taverna

DINNER ON OWN

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# SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2014

*Business Casual Attire*

- 7:30 am-9:30 am**                      **Breakfast at hotel – Sala Danieli**
- 8:45 am**                                      Spouses walk to Palazzo del Quirinale
- 9:15 am**                                      **Spouses participate in historian-led visit of Palazzo del Quirinale – official residence of the President of the Italian Republic**
- 9:30 am**                                      Depart for the Campidoglio – Rome City Hall – for panels, via bus
- 10:00 am-11:30 am**    *Panel 1*    **Panel discussion – Sala Protomoteca**  
**Feeding the Planet**  
Panel discussion consisting of representatives from the three food agencies based in Rome and led by U.S. Ambassador David Lane, Ambassador to the U.N Agencies in Rome. The topic will be food security and food assistance as we all work together to adequately feed a growing world while facing challenges such as drought, emergencies, poverty, and a lack of agricultural infrastructure and innovation.
- Panel:*  
-**Rep. Frank Lucas** (R-OK) – Chairman, Agriculture  
-**Mr. Dan Gustafson** – Deputy Director General, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations  
-**Mr. John McIntire** – Associate Vice President for Program Management, International Fund for Agriculture Development  
-**Mr. Stefano Porretti** – Director of Emergencies, World Food Programme
- Moderator: Ambassador David Lane* – U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Agencies in Rome
- 11:30 am-11:45 am**                      **Presentation on Italian Politics and Government – Ms. Emanuela Farris** – Manager, Office of the Prime Minister; Head of International and European Relations
- 12:00 pm-12:45 pm**                      **Lunch**
- 1:00 pm-1:45 pm**                      *Panel 2*    **Keynotes**  
**Confronting Human Trafficking**  
Presentations on the work being the work being done in Congress and how the United States is working with faith-based and community-based organizations, and other countries to eradicate the global epidemic of human trafficking.
- Keynotes:*  
-**Ambassador Kenneth Hackett** – U.S. Ambassador to the Holy See  
-**Rep. Erik Paulsen** (R-MN) – Ways & Means
- Moderator: Ambassador Connie Morella*

## (SATURDAY CONTINUED)

2:00 pm-3:30 pm

*Panel 3*

**Keynotes and panel discussion**

### **Increasing U.S. Competitiveness through Tax Reform**

Globally, the U.S. and Italy have some of the highest corporate tax rates among the industrialized world, at 39.1% and 31.4%, respectively. Focusing on increasing competitiveness for its nation's companies, this panel will explore what both countries can do to reform their tax code and discuss what a comprehensive tax reform package for the U.S. might entail.

*Keynotes:*

**-Rep. Pat Tiberi (R-OH)** – Chairman, Ways & Means  
Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures

**-Rep. Dave Camp (R-MI)** – Chairman, Ways & Means

*Panel:*

**-Rep. John Larson (D-CT)** – Ways & Means Subcommittee on  
Select Revenue Measures

**-Rep. Jim Renacci (R-OH)** – Ways & Means

**-Mr. Sandro De Poli** – President and CEO, General Electric  
Italy and Israel

**-Rep. Pat Tiberi**

*Moderator:* **Rep. Dave Camp**

3:30 pm

Return to hotel via bus

*Business Casual Attire*

4:00 pm-5:00 pm

Prepare for visit to the Vatican

5:00 pm

Depart for the Vatican via bus

6:00 pm-8:00 pm

**Historian-led visit of the Vatican**

8:00 pm

Return to hotel for dinner via bus

8:30 pm-10:30 pm

**Dinner discussion on food security and food assistance, and  
increasing U.S. competitiveness through tax reform at the  
hotel – Sala Ritz**

# SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2014

*Casual Attire*

- 7:00 am-8:30 am**                      **Breakfast at hotel – Sala Danieli**
- 8:30 am**                                      Walk to Horti Sallustiani for panels
- 8:50 am**                                      **Introduction of Horti Sallustiani**
- 9:00 am-10:30 am**    *Panel 4*    **Panel discussion**  
**Agenda for the 114th Congress**  
A discussion on the results of the 2014 Congressional elections and the impact they will have on the agenda of the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress.  
  
*Panel:*  
-Rep. Greg Walden (R-OR) – Chairman, NRCC  
-Rep. John Larson (D-CT) – former Chairman, Democratic Caucus  
-Rep. Steve Scalise (R-LA) – Majority Whip  
-Rep. Mike Capuano (D-MA)  
-Rep. Pat Tiberi (R-OH)  
  
*Moderator:* Rep. Dave Camp (R-MI)
- 10:30 am-11:00 am**                      **Break**
- 11:00 am-12:15 pm**    *Panel 5*    **Keynote and Panel discussion**  
**The Future of the U.S. Health Care System, and Global Pharmaceutical and Medical Innovation**  
With the implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act in the United States nearing completion, this panel will discuss the present state of the U.S. health care system and make recommendations regarding future reforms. Additionally, the panelists will debate the role of government in health care innovation and explore ways in which the U.S. and Italian governments and their companies can collaborate in the future.  
  
*Keynote:*  
-Rep. Fred Upton (R-MI) – Chairman, Energy & Commerce  
  
*Panel:*  
-Rep. Bill Pascrell (D-NJ) – Ways & Means Subcommittee on Health  
-Rep. Pat Meehan (R-PA) – Oversight & Government Reform Subcommittee on Health Care  
-Prof. Sergio Pecorelli – President, AIFA (the Italian Regulatory Agency for Medicines)  
  
*Moderator:* Ms. Kelli Briggs – Deputy Chief of Staff, Rep. Pat Tiberi

## (SUNDAY CONTINUED)

12:15 pm-1:00 pm    *Panel 6*    **Panel discussion**

**Immigration: Challenges and Opportunities**

This panel will explore the strengths and weaknesses of the U.S., Italy, and the EU and their immigration policies, both with regards to illegal immigration and talented, highly-skilled workers, and share ideas to alleviate this growing problem.

*Panel:*

**-Rep. Luis Gutiérrez** (D-IL) – Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security

**-Rep. Renee Ellmers** (R-NC)

**-Mr. Paul Berg** – Minister Counselor for Political Affairs, U.S. Diplomatic Mission to Italy

*Moderator:* **Ms. Stacey Glasscock** – Chief of Staff, Rep. Frank Lucas

1:00 pm

Walk to Restaurant Pomodorini for lunch

1:15 pm-2:00 pm

**Luncheon discussions**

2:00 pm

Depart for educational visits via bus

2:30 pm-5:00 pm

**“Foundations of Our Democracy” – Historian-led educational visits of the Roman Forum, the Roman Senate, and Rome’s 9/11 Memorial**

5:00 pm

Return to hotel via bus

*Business Casual Attire*

5:30 pm-7:00 pm

Prepare for dinner

7:00 pm

Walk to dinner at various restaurants

7:30 pm-9:30 pm

**Dinner discussions** – the Agenda of the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress, Health Care, and Immigration Reform

# MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2014

*Business Attire*

7:00 am-8:30 am

**Breakfast at hotel – Sala Danieli**

8:30 am

Depart for Roma Eventi, Piazza della Pilotta, for panels via bus

9:00 am-10:30 am *Panel 7*

**Panel discussion – Auditorium Loyola**

## **Italy, the EU, and the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership**

With Italy holding the Presidency of the Council of the European Union for the remainder of 2014, their leadership announced one of their top priorities is the continuation of TTIP trade agreement talks between the U.S. and the EU. Comprised of nearly half of the world's economic output, a trade partnership between the U.S. and EU will be an important economic achievement for all parties. The panel will look at this historic discussion, analyze the progress made so far, and make predictions regarding its final product and ratification date.

*Panel:*

**-Rep. Frank Lucas (R-OK)** – Chairman, Agriculture

**-Rep. John Larson (D-CT)** – Ways & Means Subcommittee on Trade

**-Rep. Erik Paulsen (R-MN)** – Co-Chairman, TTIP Caucus; Ways & Means

**-Rep. Bill Pascrell (D-NJ)** – Ways & Means

**-Mr. Jörg Leichtfried, MEP** – Vice President, Political Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats, European Parliament

**-Mr. Franco Frattini** – President, Italian Society for International Organization (SIOI)

**-Mr. Amedeo Teti** – Director General of Trade Policy, Ministry of Economic Development

*Moderator:* **Ambassador Connie Morella**

10:30 am-10:45 am

**Break**

11:00 am-11:45 am *Panel 8*

**Keynote and Panel discussion**

## **Encouraging Technological Growth**

This panel seeks to explore what the U.S. and Italy can learn from each other in the growing technology sector. Additionally, the panel may discuss patent infringement, wireless spectrum rights, and ensuring government regulations do not stifle innovation and economic growth.

*Keynote:*

**-Rep. Greg Walden (R-OR)** – Chairman, Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Communications & Technology

*Panel:*

**-Rep. Mike Doyle (D-PA)** – Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Communications & Technology

**-Rep. Renee Ellmers (R-NC)** – Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Communications & Technology

**-Ms. Alessandra Poggiani** – Director General, AGID (Agency for Digital Italy)

**-Mr. Simone Crolla** – Managing Director, American Chamber of Commerce in Italy

*Moderator:* **Rep. Jim Renacci (R-OH)**



## (MONDAY CONTINUED)

11:45 am-12:30 pm *Panel 9* **Panel discussion**

### **Balancing Innovation and Privacy with Homeland Security and Cybersecurity**

This panel will focus on the national security aspects of technology and what the U.S. and Italy can learn from each other when setting policy to strike the critical balance of innovation and privacy concerns with those of intelligence gathering, homeland security, and cybersecurity.

*Panel:*

- Rep. Pat Meehan** (R-PA) – Chairman, Homeland Security Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection & Security Technologies
- Rep. Luis Gutiérrez** (D-IL) – Select Intelligence; Judiciary
- Dr. Paolo Ciocca** – Deputy Director General, Security Intelligence Department (Dipartimento Informazioni per la Sicurezza – DIS)

*Moderator:* **Rep. Bill Shuster** (R-PA)

12:30 pm-1:15 pm

**Lunch – Sala Goldoni, Roma Eventi**

1:30 pm-3:00 pm *Panel 10* **Keynote and panel discussion**

### **Global Energy Trade, Development, and Market Expansion**

As Italy imports 90% of their energy from abroad, calls for increased domestic production in that country grow louder. Drawing ties between U.S. off-shore drilling with that of Italy, this panel will discuss what both countries can learn from each other in technological innovation and common sense regulations to boost the availability of safe, affordable energy.

Additionally, with the development of the South Stream and Trans Adriatic Pipelines in Europe and the Keystone XL Pipeline in North America, the U.S. and Italy have unprecedented opportunities to import greater quantities of gas and oil into their countries. The panel will also discuss these projects, their progress, and the advantages and disadvantages of these and future endeavors.

*Keynote:*

- Rep. Steve Scalise** (R-LA) – Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Energy & Power

*Panel:*

- Rep. Fred Upton** (R-MI) – Chairman, Energy & Commerce
- Rep. Mike Doyle** (D-PA) – Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Energy & Power
- Rep. Bill Shuster** (R-PA) – Chairman, Transportation & Infrastructure
- Rep. Mike Capuano** (D-MA) – Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, & Hazardous Materials
- Mr. Marco Arcelli** – Executive Vice President of Upstream Gas Division, Enel S.p.A
- Mr. Alessandro Ortis** – Former Chairman, Italian Regulatory Authority for Electricity and Gas

*Moderator:* **Ms. Stacey Glasscock** – Chief of Staff, Rep. Frank Lucas

## (MONDAY CONTINUED)

3:00 pm	U.S. Congressmen walk to Palazzo Montecitorio – Italian Chamber of Deputies
3:15 pm	Remaining conference attendees walk to Palazzo Montecitorio to visit Italian Chamber of Deputies
3:30 pm-4:00 pm	<b>U.S. Congressmen meet with President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, Ms. Laura Boldrini, MP</b>
3:45 pm-4:30 pm	<b>Educational visit of Palazzo Montecitorio for conference attendees</b>
4:00 pm-4:30 pm	<b>U.S. Congressmen meet with Italian-U.S. Inter-Parliamentary Group at the Palazzo Montecitorio</b>  -- <b>Mr. Giancarlo Giorgetti:</b> Italian Co-Chair of the U.S. Italian InterParliamentary Group -- <b>Ms. Tiziana Ciprini:</b> Member of Parliament, Committee on Public and Private Sector Employment and Equal Opportunity Opportunities Committee -- <b>Mr. Vincenzo Garofalo:</b> Member of Parliament, Transport, Post and Telecommunications Committee; and is Secretary of the Committee on Counterfeiting and Piracy.
4:45 pm	<b>Educational visit of Palazzo Montecitorio for U.S. Congressmen</b>
4:30 pm or 5:00 pm	Walk to return to hotel
<i>Business or Cocktail Attire</i>	
4:30 pm-6:30 pm	Prepare for dinner
6:30 pm	Depart for closing reception and dinner via bus
7:00 pm-9:30 pm	<b>Closing reception and dinner at Palazzo Brancaccio</b>
9:30 pm	Return to hotel via bus
10:00 pm	<b>After dinner coffee at hotel</b>

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## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2014

7:00 am-9:30 am	Breakfast at the hotel
Morning	Departures

## **End of TransAtlantic Capital to Capital Exchange**

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